for implementing development programmes in the state during the last three years; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YASHWANT SINHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During the last three years, 16 projects have been tied up with various external donor agencies for implementing development programmes in Andhra Pradesh. In addition, 5 projects are at various staage of processing for possible external assistance. Details of projects under implementation are given in the Annexure [*See* Appendix CLVII, Annexure No. 16]. and those under processing are given in the attached Statement.

Statement

Project proposals from Andhra Pradesh under consideration for external assistance

1. Drinking Water Supply in Nalgonda District

2. Drinking Water Supply in Anantapur District

3. A. P. Rural Water Supply in Cuddapah District

4. A. P. Rural Water Supply in Kanigiri area in Prakasam District.

5. Drinking Water Supply in Uddanam Area in Sri Kakulam District.

Export of minerals obtained from Andhra Pradesh

518. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the minerals obtained from Andhra Pradesh which are exported at present; and

(b) what is the estimated amount of foreign exchange earned thereby annually?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SHANTILAL PURUSHOTTAMDAS PATEL): (a) The main minerals being produced in Andhra Pradesh which are at present exported are granite, barytes, manganese ore and mica.

(b) State-wise statistics of exports are not being maintained.

Requirement of Pig-Iron

519. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the requirement of the pig iron in the country at present; and

(b) to what extent it is being met indigenously and what is the extent of shortfall?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI ASHOKE KUMAR SEN): (a) The assessed demand of foundry grade pig iron for 1990-91 is 18.30 lakh tonnes.

(b) Production of pig iron during 1990-91 is currently estimated at around 15.3 lakh tonnes, indicating a shortfall of three lakh tonnes over assessed demand.

डालमिया फर्मोंधी समूह विरुद्ध आर्थिक अपराधों के मामले

520. डा० अबरार अहमद : क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 11 सितम्बर, 1990 के "नवभारत टाइम्स" में "डालमिया समूह की चोरी पकडी गयी" शीर्षक के अंतर्गत प्रकाशित समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है और कितने आयकर की चोरी पकड़ी गयी और इस संबंध में गिरफ्तार किए गए व्यक्तियों का ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ग) क्या उत्पादन शुल्क की चोरी और "फेरा" का उल्लंघन किए जाने के मामले भी इस कंपनी के विरुद्ध पहले से चल रहे हैं, यदि हां, तो उनका ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(घ) क्या इस कंपनी को अब कभी नए औद्योगिक लाइसेंस दिए जा रहे हैं ; यदि हां, तो उनका ब्यौरा क्या है और उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

वित्त मंत्री (श्री यशवंत सिन्हा) : (क) और (ख) जी हां ।

आयकर विभाग द्वारा श्री संजय डालुमिया के विभिन्न परिसरों और उससे संबंधित संस्थानों और व्यक्तियों पर तलाशियां ली गईं और सर्वेक्षण किया गया था । इन तलाशियों के दौरान अभिसंसी पुस्तकों और दस्तावेजों के अतिरिक्त प्रथम दृष्टया बेहिसाब परिसंपत्तियां जिसमें नकदी, रत्नाभूषण शेयर-पत्र तथा 9.58 करोड़ रुपए राशि की अन्य बहुमूल्य परिसंपत्तियों जब्त की गई । आयकर अधिनियम के अंतर्गत इन मामलों पर कार्रवाई की जा रही है जिसके अंतर्गत आयकर अधिनियम की धारा-148 के अंतर्गत सिक्किम में निगमित कुछ कम्पनियों को निर्धारण से बची आय पर कर लगाने के लिए नोटिस जारी किए गए हैं । सिक्किम उच्च न्यायालय ने आय-कर अधिनियम की धारा-148 के अंतर्गत इन कार्यवाहियों को स्थगित कर दिया है ।

(ग) और (घ) सूचना एकत्रित की जा रही है और सदन-पटल पर रख दी जाएगी ।

Hike in gold price

521. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that gold price has touched an all time high due to Gulf war; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to contain the price rise?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YASHWANT SINHA): (a) The price of standard gold recorded a peak of Rs. 3650/- per 10 gms. in the Bombay market on 17-1-91 of the first day of Gulf War. In the Madras market it recorded a peak of Rs. 4000 on 13.1.91. But subsequently the price declined gradually and is currently prevailing at the level of Rs. 3553 per 10 gms. in the Bombay market on 25.2.91.

(b) Since gold is not ex essential commodity Government do not regulate its price.

Tea export to the United Kingdom

522. SHRI S. K. T. RAMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state the steps being taken by Government to promote tea exports to the United Kingdom which is showing declining trend?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SHANTILAL PURUSHOTTAMDAS PATEL): For the promotion of Indian tea exports to the UK, the following steps are being taken:—

(1) Darjeeling Logo and Assam Logo have been launched as distinct marks for speciality teas from India.

(2) For popularising these Logos, advertising/promotion campaigns are conducted.